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## Police Find Possible Link In Student Assault

By Kristen Green  
Bullet Issues Editor

No arrest has been made in the alleged abduction and rape of a 21-year-old Mary Washington College student in December, but police believe that the same man could be responsible for two other incidents, including the attempted rape of a 20-year-old college student and the rape and abduction of an 18-year old Spotsylvania woman.

The student was walking alone on William Street in the early hours of the morning on Dec. 2, 1994 after leaving a party on Charles and Hawke Streets, according to Jim Shelhorse, spokesman for the Fredericksburg Police Department. At approximately 12:30 a.m. the student, who was intoxicated, allegedly approached a car at an undetermined intersection on William Street and asked for a ride to her dorm.

According to police reports, when the student realized the driver did not plan to drop her off at the college, she tried to get out of the moving vehicle. The driver grabbed her by the hair and told her he would not let her out of the car. The suspect then allegedly drove to a deserted spot in either Spotsylvania or Caroline County. The exact location of the spot has not been determined.

The suspect allegedly raped the student and forced her to repeatedly perform oral sodomy during an estimated seven hour period. In Virginia, rape is defined as penetration by the penis.

The suspect drove the student back to the college and dropped her off on Sunken Road at approximately 7:30 a.m.

Detective Lieutenant David Cooper, a

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"[William Street will] be clear one way, but then you can't get across the other way. I don't like to stand out in the middle of the road while cars are moving around me, so I am not about to run halfway, stop and wait."

- sophomore Angela Fleming

## Accident Draws Attention To Busy Intersection

By Adam Fike  
Bullet News Editor

Traffic breaks only every several minutes at the corner of William Street and Sunken Road, stranding students trying to reach the almost 200 cars now parked at the William Street parking lot.

The intersection does not meet state criteria for the placement of a stoplight, halting college efforts last semester to put one in place. However, an accident there last November, which left a student with broken bones and two screws permanently placed in her ankle, raises new interest in making William Street a safer street to cross.

Sophomore Angela Fleming was halfway across William Street on Nov. 16, just above Sunken Road, crossing towards the entrance of the parking lot through a line of cars stopped to turn left onto Sunken Road when she was struck by a car in the outside lane of traffic intending to go straight through the intersection. Traveling at 20 mph at the time of the accident, the car that struck Fleming broke both her arm and ankle.

Depending on the time of day, traffic varies from light to very heavy, according to Fleming, who parks in the William Street lot regularly. A normal wait to cross the street is between 5 to 10 minutes, she said, though waiting is better than walking nearly 100 yards uphill to cross at the light at College Avenue.

"[William Street will] be clear one way, but then you can't get across the other way," Fleming said. "I don't like to stand out in the middle of the road while cars



Colleen Maguire/Bullet

Students frequently cross the intersection at Sunken Road and William Street to access the parking lot.

are moving around me," she said. "So I am not about to run halfway, stop and wait."

Early last semester the possibility of placing a light at the intersection was examined by college and city officials. The Student Senate Safety Committee, headed by student senators Derek Botcher and Jim Turns, Executive Assistant to the President

Marjorie Poyck and Fredericksburg Director of Code Compliance Mike Naggs met to discuss the issue.

"At that point William Street and Sunken Road didn't meet any of the criteria necessary to put in a stop light," said Botcher.

The state's criteria for a stoplight include the existence of nearby lights and at least 500

people crossing the intersection every hour. Since stoplights currently exist above and below the intersection to handle vehicle traffic, the Safety Committee concentrated on the flow of pedestrian traffic.

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## Telecommunications Project Creates Problems In New Hall

By Amy Drewer  
Bullet Staff Writer

Complaints from residents of New Hall flood the office of Tammy Ostrander, director of housing, as the students continue to have problems with the workers of MC Dean, the contractor in charge of installation.

These complaints have ranged from money missing to items in their rooms being moved around and not put back in order.

Chris Topoleski, the dorm's second floor resident assistant, has had residents frequent his room each

morning with new problems.

"We've had a lot of complaints," said Topoleski. "The general one is that of furniture in rooms being moved around and not put back. Some rooms which were deadbolted before we left for break. When we came back, some of those weren't even locked at all, and some were only locked at the handle."

Jim Murray, the head resident of New Hall, has also been approached repeatedly with complaints from the residents. He said some odd things have been happening since the construction company has been working.

"The security guard who was supposed to follow the

workers around has not been doing so," said Murray.

"All of this is speculation, that is to blame the construction workers for what has happened, but it's very coincidental."

Allison Pasciuto, a resident of New Hall, left her room clean before winter break only to return to a mess.

"I specifically cleaned our room before we left. When we came back, one of our beds that is usually on top of desks with another bed underneath it was sitting on top of the bottom one. There was paper everywhere and my bike had been moved. The room had been torn through. It looked like a bomb had hit it. Nothing was missing,

but the place was a mess."

Tammy Ostrander refers all the complaints to Carol Martin, assistant vice president for computer resources.

"Everyone has been notified about what has been happening," Martin said. "I reported the incidents to the Bell Atlantic project manager, and from there the information was filtered down to the construction company and its employees. To my knowledge, there are not any further outstanding problems. Some of the employees have not worked in a dorm before, and

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Courtesy Photo

Executive Director of the NAACP Legal Defense Fund Elaine Jones spoke at the annual MWC Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration in Dodd Auditorium last Monday. In her talk, Jones asserted the need for all people to overcome societal stereotypes by voluntarily experiencing new environments. After graduating from Howard University and serving in the Peace Corps, Jones was the first black female student to graduate from the University of Virginia Law School, and she continues to demonstrate her ideals for a better world through her work at the NAACP Legal Defense Fund and her lectures at schools throughout Virginia.

## Science Center Gets Shifted West

By Beth McConnell  
Bullet Assistant News Editor

Construction of the Jepson Science Center will be moved from the proposed site below the Simpson Library to the hilltop between Goolrick Drive and the DuPont arts complex, according to Provost Philip Hall.

College officials, Board of Visitor members and architects decided over winter break to change the site due to budget constraints, said Hall. College officials learned at that time that the science center would cost an estimated \$3 million over the project's budget, said Richard Miller, vice-president of business and finance.

The original project budget was \$11.7 million.

According to Hall, project estimator Peter Forella reviewed preliminary drawings of the building and calculated the cost of construction, building materials,

utilities, even sink faucets. Lukemire & Associates, the science center's architects, hired Forella to do the estimate.

"Everybody was surprised when he delivered an estimate \$3 million over [budget]," said Hall.

Mary Washington College could save an estimated \$600,000 with the change, according to Miller.

The state requires that all public institutions hire an independent firm of architects to conduct a value engineering study when planning new buildings to identify ways to cut costs. Hall said the school hired the architectural firm MarshWitt to conduct the study. Over the break, MarshWitt also suggested moving the site, as well as other cost-saving plans.

"We would have had to do this [move the site] anyway, whether it was required by the state or not," to meet the project budget, said Hall.

One reason for being over budget, according to Hall, is today's

changing economic climate. Hall said the preliminary budget was calculated when the school conducted a preplanning study three years ago.

"The cost escalation has to do with changes in circumstances. [Three years ago] we were in a recession, and building contractors needed work," said Hall.

The new site of the building is the top of the hill between Goolrick Drive and DuPont, as close to Campus Walk as possible, said Hall. The new location requires the school to build a new temporary computer parking lot for use during construction, and to reroute the drive between DuPont and Simpson Library. With this current plan, Hall said the school still hoped to save money overall.

Hall said the new temporary parking lot will be built between Goolrick Drive and Route 1.

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## News Briefs

• Last day to officially declare a major in order to register for Fall 1995 classes as a declared major is Jan. 20, 5 p.m. Submit major cards to Academic Services, George Washington Hall, room 211.

• The last day to change a course to or from pass/fail is Jan. 23, 9 a.m.-noon and 1-4 p.m.

• The last day to withdraw from spring semester with 80 percent tuition refund is Jan. 23, 5 p.m.

• Students may drop classes without penalty through Jan. 30.

• Any BA or BS degree candidates who want to review his/her senior checklist should see Mrs. Kemp in Student Records, George Washington Hall.

• MWC Housing Selection will be held on April 4, 5 & 6 in the Great Hall and Meeting Room 1 in the Campus Center, 6 p.m.-midnight and in Meeting Room 2, 3 p.m.-5 p.m.

• The Chamber Music with visiting artists and MWC faculty, alumni and students will be performing in Dodd Auditorium, George Washington Hall on Jan. 21, 8 p.m., free.

• Pianist Leon Bates will be performing in Dodd Auditorium on Jan. 26, time TBA, free.

• There will be a Gospel Extravaganza in Dodd Auditorium on Feb. 5, 3 p.m., free.

• Auditions for the MWC Dance Company will be held on Jan. 20, 4 p.m. in the Goolrick Hall Dance Suite. Call 899-4338 for more information.

• Movement Theatre Project auditions for both actors and dancers will be held on Jan. 19, 5 p.m. in the Goolrick Hall Dance Suite, room 5. For more information call 899-4330.

• Dr. Edward Wasiolek of the University of Chicago will be lecturing on "Dostoevsky and Tolstoy: The World's Greatest Novelists" on Jan. 31 in the Red Room, Campus Center, 6 p.m.

• A non-refundable registration fee is due Feb. 1 for the multi-course four-week program "MWC in Urbino, Italy." For additional information contact Clavio Ascarei, ext. 4707 or Joseph DiBella, ext. 4994.

• MWC has established a new "Information Hotline" that will provide a weekly listing of public events at the college and regular updates of any schedule changes. The "Hotline," maintained by MWC's

Office of College Relations, can be reached 24 hours per day at 654-2424. There is no charge for using this service.

• Sports schedules and scores are available through the 24-hour "Athletic Hotline" at 899-4991, operated by the Sports Information Office.

• Class Council will be sponsoring 100th night for seniors only on Jan. 26, 8 p.m.-midnight in the Eagles Nest. Two IDs are required.

• Rape Aggression Defense Systems, R.A.D., will be holding Thursday classes on Jan. 19 & 26 and Feb. 29, 7 p.m.-10 p.m. and Sunday classes on Jan. 22 & 29 and Feb. 5 & 12, 7-10 p.m. For more information or to register call 899-4634 or stop by 104B Lee Hall.

• Virginia Blood Services' donor center, located at 3940 Plank Road, Suite V, is requesting volunteers to give blood for children and other patients who depend on lifesaving blood transfusions. The center is open Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 1-8 p.m. For more information call 786-3491 or (804)359-5100.

• The Multicultural Center at Mary Washington College is sponsoring a bus trip to the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D.C. on Jan. 24. Reservations are on a first-come first-serve basis and costs \$5. For information or reservations, contact Aneeta Vashee at the Multicultural Center, Lee Hall, room 210, (703)899-4838.

• ASSE International Student Exchange Programs is seeking local host families for boys and girls from Scandinavia, France, Italy, Spain, Portugal, Germany, Holland, Great Britain, Poland, the Newly Independent States of the former Soviet Union, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Switzerland, Mexico, Brazil, Japan, Canada, Australia and New Zealand. 15 to 18 years of age, coming to this area for the upcoming high school year. Those persons interested in obtaining more information about becoming a host family or an exchange student should contact ASSE's local representative Judy Steele at (703)786-4450 or 1-800-677-2773.

• James Madison University is opening recruitment for the Fall 1995 and Spring 1996 International Internship positions. Complete details and application materials are available for approximately 50 positions each semester in 10 countries. Interested students may request information directly from Judy Cohen, Program Coordinator, at Paul Street House, James Madison University, Harrisonburg, Va. 22807, (703)568-6979, fax (703)568-3310. The deadline for applications for both semesters is March 13.

## New IDs To Change MWC

By Beth McConnell  
Bulletin Assistant News Editor

Starting next summer, students will use a new kind of identification card that can be used not only to buy meals or check out library books, but will also unlock dormitory doors, according to Conrad Warlick, senior vice-president for administrative and student services. Eventually, the card can be used to pay for items at the bookstore and sodas from the vending machines, as well as laundering clothes.

Warlick said these services will gradually come on-line as part of the campus internet.

"It's not all going to be instant. The software must be introduced in segments, and we are in the process of moving that way," Warlick said.

Warlick said College President William Anderson appointed a committee to investigate the different kinds of identification cards that could be used as part of the campus network project.

"We're looking for a card to support a number of applications," said Warlick. "The college is planning for the future, including services and accommodations students want and need."

Committee members have not selected a company to furnish the cards, and are not sure when the electronic readers will be installed, said Warlick.

According to Rosemary Dominic, assistant director of residence life, the cards can be used as keys to the dorms by passing the card through an electronic reader. Dominic said there would also be reader locks for rooms in academic buildings, such as the cartography and computer labs.

"The card will have unlimited uses once we get everything in place," said Carol Martin, assistant vice-president for computer resources.

Martin said the scanners in the dining hall and the library will be reprogrammed, along with installing card readers in the dorms.

"We'll have to modify the way the library is used now to make sure it will function with the new system," said

Robert Grattan, library systems coordinator, who is also on the committee to choose the new cards.

According to Warlick, the cards, reprogramming, and installation costs will be paid for by the network fee each student pays in tuition.

"Nothing new will be added on [to student bills]," he said.

Martin said the new card will feature the student's name and photograph. The photograph will also be stored in the police station's computer in case the card is lost or the student is missing. The student's social security number will not appear on the card.

Dominic said the school hopes to photograph returning students for the new cards before the end of spring semester. Freshmen and transfer students will be photographed during preview over the summer when new students come to the college for an introduction and orientation session. Make-up photographs will be taken in the fall, said Dominic.

Debit and credit strips, resembling the magnetic strips on credit cards, will be on the back of the card. To utilize the debit strip, said Martin, students will deposit money in a cash-to-card machine, which automatically "puts money" on the student's card. The student can then swipe the card through the reader on a vending, drink or laundry machine and get food or wash clothes without having to use change, according to Martin. The cost is subtracted from the amount the student deposited.

The credit strip allows the card to be used as a credit card. According to Martin, the bookstore and the office of student accounting will be on-line. Students can establish an account with the school, and costs will automatically be subtracted when they purchase items at the bookstore with their card, said Martin.

Implementing these features on campus will take longer than reprogramming the dining hall or setting up access to the dorms.

"A lot of other work has to be done [to implement the new ID card system]. We're shooting for January [1996]," said Martin.

## POLICE BEAT

By Jeremy Cline  
Bulletin Staff Writer

### Sexual Assault

•On Dec. 21 Campus Police received a third party sexual assault report. The incident occurred off campus.

### Drugs

•On Dec. 8 Bryant Jackson, a non-student of Stafford, was stopped at the corner of Lafayette Boulevard and Twin Lakes Drive. Jackson was charged with driving under the influence (DUI), possession of cocaine with the intent to distribute, and possession of marijuana.

•On Jan. 11 Paul Miller, a non-student, was stopped on the corner of College Avenue and Brent Street. Miller was charged with possession of marijuana.

### Intoxication

•On Dec. 8 James Brooks, a non-student of Locust Grove, was charged with drunk in public (DIP) on the corner of Lafayette Boulevard and Twin Lakes Drive.

•On Dec. 26 William Layman, a non-student of Fredericksburg, was charged with DIP on the corner of Powhatan Street and Route 1.

•On Jan. 5 Ronald Brown, a non-student of Fredericksburg, was charged with DIP at the corner of Princess Anne Street and Lafayette Boulevard.

•On Jan. 13 Mark Smith, a non-student of Fredericksburg, was charged with DIP on the corner of William Street and Kenmore Avenue.

•On Jan. 14 Jeffery Burner, a non-student of Locust Grove, was charged with DIP near the William Street lot.

•On Jan. 14 Sean Moore, an MWC student, was charged with underage possession of alcohol on the corner of William Street and Sunken Road.

•On Jan. 14 William Burch and Les Currier, both MWC students, and Bryan Burger, a non-student of Fredericksburg, were all charged with underage possession of alcohol after a traffic stop.

### Vandalism

•On Dec. 7 a car was vandalized at the Battlefield. The damage was estimated at \$500.

•On Jan. 15 a vehicle was vandalized on Double Drive. The damage was estimated at \$75.

### Theft

•On Dec. 3 a student reported a possible theft of a set of keys from the front lot of Combs Hall. The student was unsure whether the keys were stolen or lost.

•On Dec. 6 a VCR was reported stolen from the Continuing Education Center in Seacobeck Hall. The VCR was valued at \$425.

•On Dec. 8 a student reported jewelry stolen from Alvey Hall. The jewelry was valued at \$70.

•On Dec. 16 the Simpson Library reported the theft of \$700 worth of books. The books were checked out by a non-student and never returned.

•On Jan. 13 a student reported \$10 stolen from New Hall.

### Trespassing

•On Dec. 12 there was a report of trespassers on Sunken Road near the athletic fields. No one was found.

### Fire Alarms

•On Dec. 4 a fire alarm was set off on the fourth floor of Russell Hall. The alarm was set off by burnt food.

•On Dec. 6 a fire alarm was set off in Willard Hall. The alarm was set off because of a faulty flow switch in the sprinkler.

•On Dec. 8 a fire alarm was set off on the second floor of Marshall Hall. The alarm was set off by burnt food.

•On Dec. 9 there was a fire in Russell Hall due to a short in an electric blanket. The fire was contained to the blanket by a fire extinguisher and there was no additional damage.

•On Dec. 26 a trash can was found on fire outside of Seacobeck Hall. The trash can was destroyed.

•On Jan. 1 a fire alarm was set off in Randolph Hall. The alarm was set off due to a faulty detector.

### Miscellaneous

•On Dec. 8 James Tompkins, a non-student of Fredericksburg, was charged with driving after being declared a habitual offender. The charge was filed as a felony.

•On Jan. 3 Campus Police received a report of rearranged furniture in George Washington Hall. The furniture was apparently rearranged over Winter Break. No furniture was found to be missing.

•On Jan. 13 a student fell running at the Battlefield.

•On Jan. 13 a chair fell out from under a staff member in George Washington Hall. She did not seek medical attention.

•On Dec. 26 a steamline ruptured in the basement of Combs Hall.

•On Dec. 5 a bomb threat was called in at Dodd Auditorium. Police evacuated the building and searched with bomb dogs. No bombs were discovered.

•On Dec. 8 a student in Mason received a harassing phone call. The incident is still under investigation.

•On Jan. 15 a student aggravated an old football injury in Randolph Hall and was transported to the emergency room at Mary Washington Hospital.

•On Jan. 14 a student reported being followed by two males in a gray Nissan. The area was checked and no one was found.

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member of the Spotsylvania County police department who is investigating the assault, said there are similarities between the Dec. 2 incident and the May 29, 1994 abduction and rape of an 18-year-old woman. The woman was allegedly approached after dark in the McDonald's parking lot and forced to drive to a deserted area, where she was raped.

Fredericksburg police detective Howard Smith said there are also similarities to the attempted rape of a 20-year-old student on Sept. 27, 1994. In this case, the suspect entered the Pitt St. house through a window. He climbed on the victim's back, put a pillow over her head and attempted to rape her, but fled when an alarm clock woke the victim's roommate.

According to Cooper and Smith, the suspect's physical description and method of operation are similar in all three cases. The suspect is described as a 35-40 year old white male who has a stocky build and weighs approximately 175 pounds. He is described as having reddish brown hair, a goatee and mustache, blue eyes and a fair complexion.

Cooper and Smith said they are still following up on leads generated by the circulation of the suspect's composite.

"With the right lead, we're going to make an arrest," said Cooper.

Shelhorse said that the Fredericksburg police department does not know if or when an arrest will be made in the case. "We don't have anything yet," said Shelhorse.

Shelhorse said the student, who was intoxicated and does not remember much of the estimated seven hours she was with the suspect, was "an accident waiting to happen."

"The assault should serve as a warning to students not to walk alone at night," he said. "If you're going to be out this late at night, it's nice if you can be with anyone else," he said.

Midge Poyck, executive assistant to College President William Anderson, said that students need to be more

careful, particularly late at night.

"Students should take as many precautions as they can," Poyck said. "Probably [the victim] wasn't using her best judgment."

Senior Rhonda George said hearing the news of the abduction and assault of a fellow student made her scared. "I remember freshman year we walked everywhere. I didn't think anything happened in Fredericksburg. Now it's like you can't walk anywhere," George said.

Senior Susan Milko said she was shocked to hear about the incident. She said she knows a lot of students who get sick of being at a party or bar, and instead of waiting for a friend to leave, will walk home alone. She has even done it herself, she said.

"[Hearing about the abduction and assault] made me say, 'I'll never do that again,'" Milko said.

Ron Singleton, director of college relations, said that the college notifies students when an incident like this occurs as a reminder for students to take precautions.

"It's easy to become complacent and forget to take precautions. It can happen to any of us," said Singleton.

He said incidents such as this assault remind the college to question whether it offers effective

defense programs. The college currently incorporates defense training into the freshman programs. Students can also learn self-defense in the college police sponsored Rape Aggression Defense System.

The student escort service is also available to students who need a ride on-campus so that they do not have to walk alone. "We try to minimize the chance of something happening," said Singleton.

The car he drove is described as a dull grey, four door Ford with maroon interior. The first three letters of the license plate were ZTE, according to police reports.

Anyone with information on the case should contact detective Howard Smith of the Fredericksburg Police Department at 372-1053 or detective David Cooper of the Spotsylvania Police Department at 582-7116.

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# November Trials Yield Fines, Shrink Off-Campus Parties

By Buckley Fountain  
Bulletin Staff Writer

After a long string of arrests and trials from September to November, Fredericksburg police. Although eight students faced on Nov. 17 with aiding and abetting sale of alcohol to minors were given relatively small penalties on, another series of arrests took place at Mary Washington College's unrecognized fraternity on Friday night.

All eight students who were on trial in November after being hosts at the "survivor series" parties abetting guilty and were fined \$150 each in addition to court fees of \$46.

According to Lydia Evans, one of the students fined, the fine was part of a deal offered to them by the Alcohol Beverage Control agent, R.H. Cross. It was in exchange for a more serious fine, possible jail time, community service, and the loss of the "privilege to drive" for up to a year.

The proprietor at the William Street market, who sold the kegs used for the party, had his kegs complete with tags returned to him by the Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC). He had no comment.

Students say that parties have definitely stopped being the norm due to the recent crack-down by area police.

Kyle Ryan, a junior and off-campus resident, said,

"The parties here have definitely been decimated. If you live in a house, your close friends from nearby houses come by. If you live in a dorm, your friends on campus come by. Either way, it's become an isolated, get-together sort of thing and not the good time had by all, meet new people sort of thing anymore."

The arrests have not reduced anyone's desire to drink. Yet the examples made of the hosts involved have proved a point.

"College students aren't going to stop drinking," Evans said. "But I definitely think that students who rent houses will think more than twice before having a party. And of course that's going to make a lot of difference."

With all the hype and scare, most students concur that MWC is looking at a dormant semester, if not longer, as far as parties go.

Heather Jacobs, co-chairwoman for community relations, said, "In the next few years, keg parties will become a thing of the past. Occasionally, there might be a party, but that will be the exception to the rule. The future of parties will be in more private but more potentially volatile places such as dorm rooms."

"What we need to do as a student body is somehow prove to the public that just because we party we are far from delinquents. Most of the people who go to parties and go to them are your typical good students. We just like to unwind in this manner. Unfortunately, I just don't think they see it that way," Jacobs said.

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Since 500 people do not cross the intersection every hour, a compromise was made to help increase the visibility of the intersection to motorists.

"We asked for the pedestrian crossing sign and the crosswalk, which in my estimation are not nearly as visible or as ostentatious as we thought they were going to be when we originally talked about that," said Poyck. "You wouldn't even know that there is a pedestrian crossing there."

Though the college originally settled for telling students that the intersection was a dangerous, Naggs said that a serious accident is an emergency criteria for a stoplight in the area.

"[The accident] opened the whole issue up for debate once again," Botcher said. "It is unfortunate that this had to happen, but now we can say, 'Look, we need a light here.'"

Since the accident, both Fleming's parents and the driver of the car which struck her have written letters to the college, city and police urging them to place a light at the intersection. According to Poyck, putting a light at Sunkin Road is the only way that the college can assure that it has taken appropriate measures to make sure students are not injured trying to reach their cars.

"If you put that there and students choose not to use it and still jaywalk across — probably nothing would happen — but if it did, at least you know the institution has done all it possibly could," said Poyck.

According to Naggs, the city is now conducting a count of pedestrians and cars in the intersection to be presented at next Fredericksburg City council meeting on Jan. 24. If the light is approved, the next issue to be considered is one of cost. It would cost \$50,000 to install the light and a pedestrian crossing signal would cost another \$8,000, according to Naggs.

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"Almost all the spaces now in the commuter lot will be replaced, and the old one will come back into use," after the completed construction, said Hall.

Greg Lukemire, architect for the project, cited poor soil conditions as a major reason for changing the site from the bottom of the hill to level ground. He also said that the new site will better coordinate with the campus.

"[The new site] is a less expensive solution from an access standpoint," said Lukemire. "Being at the top of the hill will be simpler to access and easier for students to get to."

Hall said the college also hopes to save money by using cheaper fiberglass materials for the outside of the building instead of precast concrete. Original plans called for the installation of the heating, air-conditioning and ventilation units on the roof. Hall said the units will now be on the ground in an equipment room, which will reduce costs by allowing the use of less expensive supports.

Lukemire said the first floor will now be underground, also saving money on foundation work.

Hall said overall the building layout will change very little. "There will not need to be any gross redesign. It's pretty much the same building," said Hall.

Hall also said the changes will not impact the science program or its state-of-the-art equipment.

"Equipment is a separate budget. I think it will be pretty much intact," said Hall.

George King, director of MWC science institute, said that so far officials have not downgraded the quality of the classrooms or the building's design. "Changes were

made intentionally to not affect the science program," said King.

King said architects and science faculty met last week to discuss alterations, such as reducing the number of light switches per room, painting over the brick instead of installing siding inside the rooms, and using plastic pipes.

"When you add up a lot of small things, you save a lot," said King.

Changing the site also eliminated utility work required at the old site around a main waterline serving Fredericksburg, said Hall. He also said that some aspects of a stormwater plan agreement between the city and the college are now unnecessary.

In October of last year, the city and the college agreed to work together to solve flooding problems in the Kenmore area caused by water runoff from college buildings.

Hall said that without the new building there will be less runoff during storms, but that the college still planned to solve existing drainage problems.

"We'll still have to work with the city, as always," said Hall.

Miller said he did not know when the science center would go to bid for a building contractor. "It depends on a lot of things. It's going to be awhile," said Miller, adding, "This science building is a terribly important project to get moving."

"The assumption is we can, with the reworking, get in the new building in Fall 1997," said Hall.

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therefore, were probably not aware of some of the rules. The company has conveyed its apologies to school."

Chris Topoleski, the RA in New Hall, said that conditions had improved marginally throughout this past week.

"Friday a security guard who looked more like a supervisor was following the workers," said Topoleski. "He even followed them to the second floor just so they could pick up a tool box."

He also said that the workers began Thursday to wear identification badges.

There remains much concern on the part of the RAs due to the fact that the construction workers have a card key to the back door which they frequently leave open. This door is supposed to remain locked at all times for the safety of the students.

## ON CAMPUS WALK

### Checks Cashed On Campus

As the College prepares for the implementation of a bank, but a lot of people are very pleased that they can cash a check without having to leave campus," said Todd Palic, vice-president of the SGA. With the service, the SGA has limited the amount it will cash to up to \$25 per student and each student can only cash one check per week.

"We usually receive 20 to 25 checks a week most of them ranging from \$10 to \$15," said Scott Allen, treasurer of the SGA. According to Allen, last semester the service cashed just over \$4800 in checks.

Another service provided in addition to the check cashing exchange is Student Association Loans. This new service that was recently implemented by the SGA allows students to borrow up to \$25 for a short period of time and to repay the loan interest free. Under the terms of the loan, the student must sign an agreement that states the amount loaned and the specified date that the loan must be returned by, which is no longer than 14 days. Also, under the agreement the student must also pay a late fee if the loan is not paid back by the agreed date.

"So far no one has defaulted on a loan, and certainly [cashing checks] is more popular than the [loans]," said Palic. According to SGA records, students requested less than \$100 in loans for all of last semester. Both loans and the check cashing service is offered by the Student Government Association Monday through Friday 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., with the exception of any Federal banking holidays.

- by Kinney Horn

# Senate Beat

By Carl Poole  
Bulletin Staff Writer

Senate president Todd Palic announced that the 6 percent cut of the MWC general budget is not likely to happen. According to Palic, President William Anderson believes that two-thirds of the general assembly are in favor of the college's current plan and would not support the cut.

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Welfare committee co-chairs Mark McClure and

Jon Cordone moved that Senate create a Welfare Subcommittee towards developing a campus game room. The motion passed.

John Cordone will chair the subcommittee, which will be made up of four other Welfare Committee members. Dean of Student Activities Cedric Rucker will assist the subcommittee's efforts. Any other senators wanting to work with the subcommittee can do so, said McClure.

Senator Sooki Danoski moved that the Welfare Committee look into installing a soda machine in Trinkle Hall.

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"I agree, that was my fault," I said. "I'm not asking you to change the theme. But how about being a little more liberal, opening it to wider interpretation. This is 1994."

"It really must fit in," declared the area coordinator.

"Fine," I sighed. "This is a candle holder. They had candle holders in Old Fredericksburg." Neither the area coordinator nor Ms. Head of Decorations could think of any further reasons why my decorations could not be hung. I emerged from the office somewhat drained, but triumphant, badge of victory in hand. The decorations were rehanging.

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Eleanor Stanford is a freshman at Mary Washington College.

## Student Aligns With "Sexless Society" Theory

By Nicole L. Reid  
Guest Columnist

On the way to campus Monday morning, I heard Derek McGinty interviewing Martine Rothblatt, author of "The Apartheid of Sex," on WAMU. The thesis of Rothblatt's book is something I have tried to articulate many times to professors and even my mother, though with only limited success. Rothblatt argues that one's genitals (and hormones) should not be the basis for judging one's abilities, character, and life in life. Now this sounds like the average plea against sexism/racism for that matter (substituting skin tone), but Rothblatt does not stop here. She continues to say that all incorporations of one's sex (anatomical category) into political, social, and familial arenas should be stopped. In other words, birth certificates should not be stamped, "female" or "male." One's usually hidden genitals

should, she says, not be the basis for any categorization. The absence of the mistakenly presumed "separate but equal" labeling of sex would allow individuals, says Rothblatt, to choose their own gender out of an infinite number of possibilities.

The transition from a gender-segregated society to a sexless society would not be a smooth one. The obvious upheavals the abolition of sex and assigned gender would cause are those of sexual interaction and procreation. For many lesbians, bisexuals, and gays, the concept of androgyny is exciting. But for heterosexual mainstream society, not knowing whether a vulva or a penis will be waiting to greet you may be a little scary. Does anyone remember the shock and outrage of some after viewing "The Crying Game"? But if we really believe the above plea against sexual essentialism, then erotic attraction should not be based on the potential partner's sex at all, but rather solely on personality. Of course, there is almost always an element of physical desire to partner

selection, but this is based on body shape, size, and movement which can all be seen through clothing, regardless of genitals. But most committed relationships are not formed on the basis of sexual practices and habits, and compromises can easily be reached with a vibrator, whether strap-on or otherwise.

The much less complicated upheaval is that of procreation. For those couples who want to have children but whose genitals happen to be similar, there is an easy solution. Today, infertile women and men, lesbians, bisexuals, and gay men, and those who choose to have children without a partner have four options. They can purchase frozen ova and sperm, hire a surrogate, choose a friend with different genitals to co-

parent with, or adopt. Those unfamiliar with these possibilities may consider them too tedious. But in a country in which children

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are routinely neglected, abused, and starved, the necessity to plan and truly want a child should be a welcome change.

I know that if a society ever develops in which sex is not considered a defining characteristic I will, unfortunately, be long since dead. But I can dream, can't I?

Nicole Reid is a Mary Washington College senior and she is a lesbian studies major.

## Letters to the Editor Library Director Responds To Student Complaints

A letter to the editor in the Nov. 17 issue of the Bulletin entitled "Library Fines Becoming Outrageous" raises a variety of issues which I believe need to be addressed. Beginning with the easy parts: our fine structure has nothing whatsoever to do with the Central Rappahannock Regional Library, and drawing any conclusion from a comparison with them is wrong as both our clientele and our mission are decidedly different. The library does not receive any of the funds generated through the collection—library funds go directly into the general operating budget of the college. The insertion of a bookmark with the date due was necessitated as we no longer had to insert cards for circulation control. When the campus network is completed, patrons should be able to check on their borrowings status online and there is a chance that remote renewals will be possible as well. If our information is correct, our loan period of thirty five days is the longest of our peer institutions.

The library does not make a patron bring their books back late. In a very real sense paying fines for overdue books is a self-inflicted wound. Students who may be worried about their "financial straits" should pay particular attention to when materials

are due back in the library.

Fines are just what they are: punitive fiscal damages for irresponsible behavior [sic]. We purposely do not set the fine amount at a lower level that does not exact a real penalty simply because we want our patrons to learn a meaningful lesson and to take their responsibilities seriously. The 96 percent of our responsible borrowers should not be expected to bear these costs brought about by irresponsible attitudes of a very small proportion of our borrowers. There is a two day

grace period from the date due, an individual can call to find out when materials are due, and we even provide on request a printout of our borrowers loan record. The mailing to notify of overdue is triggered one week after an item is overdue.

The writers of the Nov. 17 letter start out with the following premise: "The library's overdue fine system desperately needs reform." I would suggest the reform needs to start with the individual.

LeRoy Strohl  
Library Director

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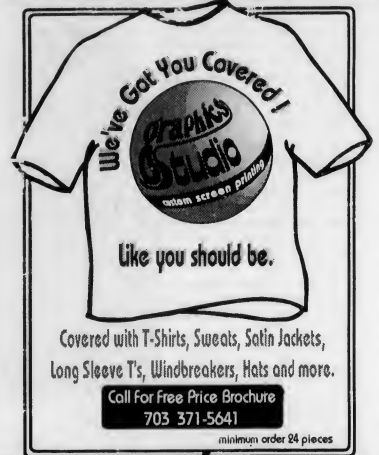
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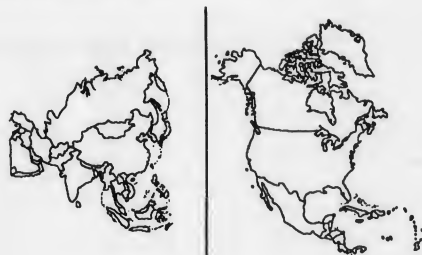
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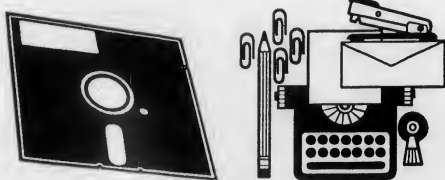
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"They don't," to be blunt. By choosing that theme, you're certainly limiting us. How many Jews do you think there were in Olde Fredericksburg?"

"If you'd been at the meeting..." Ms. Head of Decorations interjected, positively glowing with self-righteousness.

"I agree, that was my fault," I said. "I'm not asking you to change the theme. But how about being a little more liberal, opening it to wider interpretation. This is 1994."

"It really must fit in," declared the area coordinator.

"Fine," I sighed. "This is a candle holder. They had candle holders in Olde Fredericksburg." Neither the area coordinator nor Ms. Head of Decorations could think of any further reasons why my decorations could not be hung. I emerged from the office somewhat drained, but triumphant, badge of victory in hand. The decorations were rehanging.

I wish I could say that our lobby was a veritable Mecca of diversity, but to the truth, it wasn't. The decorators put up paneling which hid most of the decorations I had hung. It looked more like a feeble attempt at appeasing a loud mouthed Jeremiah, who was trying to ruin all the fun of Christmas, or excuse me, the holiday season. Which perhaps it was. Maybe we should be thankful that we are attending an institution that can truthfully call itself this country's last bastion of political incorrectness.

Eleanor Stanford is a freshman at Mary Washington College.

## Student Aligns With "Sexless Society" Theory

By Nicole L. Reid  
Guest Columnist

On the way to campus Monday morning, I heard Derek McGinty interviewing Martine Rothblatt, author of "The Apartheid of Sex," on WAMU. The thesis of Rothblatt's book is something I have tried to articulate many times to professors and even my mother, though with only limited success. Rothblatt argues that one's genitals (and hormones) should not be the basis for judging one's abilities, character, and fate in life. Now this sounds like the average place against sexism/racism, for that matter (substituting skin tone), but Rothblatt does not stop here. She continues to say that all incorporations of one's sex (anatomical category) into political, social, and familial arenas should be stopped. In other words, birth certificates should not be stamped, "female" or "male." One's usually hidden genital-

should, she says, not be the basis for any categorization. The absence of the mistakenly presumed "separate but equal" labeling of sex would allow individuals, says Rothblatt, to choose their own gender out of an infinite number of possibilities.

The transition from a gender-segregated society to a sexless society will not be a smooth one. The obvious upheaval the abolition of sex and assigned gender would cause are those of sexual interaction and procreation. For many lesbians, bisexuals, and gays, the prospect of androgyny is exciting. But for heterosexual mainstream society, not knowing whether a vulva or a penis will be waiting to greet you may be a little scary. Does anyone remember the shock and outrage of some after viewing "The Crying Game"? But if we really believe the above plea against sexual essentialism, then erotic attraction should not be based on the potential partner's sex at all, but rather solely on personality. Of course, there is almost always an element of physical desire to partner

selection, but this is based on body shape, size, and movement which can all be seen through clothing, regardless of genitals. But most committed relationships are not formed on the basis of sexual practices and habits, and compromises can easily be reached with a vibrator, whether strap-on or otherwise.

The much less complicated upheaval is that of procreation. For those couples who want to have children but whose genitals happen to be similar, there is an easy solution. Today, infertile women and men, lesbians, bisexuals, and gay men, and those who choose to have children without a partner have four options. They can purchase frozen ova and/or sperm, hire a surrogate, choose a friend with different genitals to co-

parent with, or adopt. Those unfamiliar with these possibilities may consider them too tedious. But in a country in which children

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are routinely neglected, abused, and starved, the necessity to plan and truly want a child should be a welcome change.

I know that if a society ever develops in which sex is not considered a defining characteristic I will, unfortunately, be long since dead. But I can dream, can't I?

Nicole Reid is a Mary Washington College senior and she is a lesbian studies major.

## Letters to the Editor

### Library Director Responds To Student Complaints

A letter to the editor in the Nov. 17 issue of the Bulletin entitled "Library Fines Becoming Outrageous" raises a variety of issues which I believe need to be addressed. Beginning with the easy parts: our fine structure has nothing whatsoever to do with the Central Rappahannock Regional Library, and drawing any conclusion from a comparison with them is wrong as both our clientele and our mission are decidedly different. The library does not receive any of the funds generated through the collection—library funds go directly into the general operating budget of the college. The insertion of a bookmark with the date due was necessitated as we no longer had to insert cards for circulation control. When the campus network is completed, patrons should be able to check on their borrowings status online and there is a chance that remote renewals will be possible as well. If our information is correct, our loan period of thirty five days is the longest of our peer institutions.

The library does not make a patron bring their books back late. In a very real sense paying fines for overdue books is a self-inflicted wound. Students who may be worried about their "financial straits" should pay particular attention to when materials

are due back in the library.

Fines are just what they are: punitive fiscal damages for irresponsible behavior [sic]. We purposely do not set the fine amount at a level that does not exact a real penalty simply because we want our patrons to learn a meaningful lesson and to take their responsibilities seriously. The 96 percent of our responsible borrowers should not be expected to bear these costs brought about by irresponsible attitudes of a very small proportion of our borrowers. There is a two day

grace period from the date due, an individual can call to find out when materials are due, and we even provide on request a printout of our borrowers loan record. The mailing to notify of overdue is triggered one week after an item is overdue.

The writers of the Nov. 17 letter start out with the following premise: "The library's overdue fine system desperately needs reform." I would suggest the reform needs to start with the individual.

LeRoy Strohl  
Library Director

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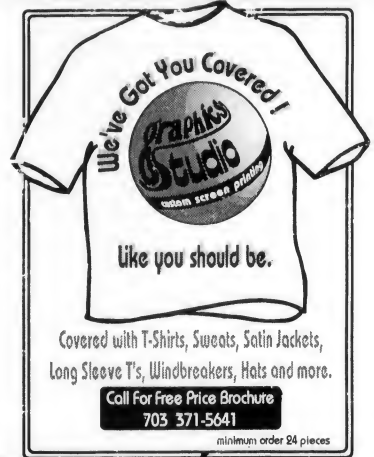
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--submitted by Joni Wilson, MWC landscape supervisor



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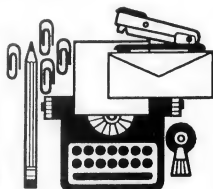
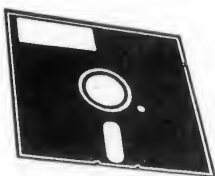
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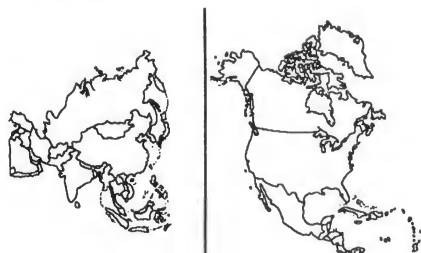


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# FEATURES

## Professor Lectures On Asian Stereotypes

By Lisa Erickson  
Bulletin Assistant News Editor

For centuries, Asians in the Americas have faced many different stereotypes from the "Yellow Peril" of the 1900s to the present day "super minority."

According to Evelyn Hu-DeHart, professor of history and director of the Center for Studies of Ethnicity and Race in America at the University of Colorado-Boulder, these different stereotypes pinned on Asians represent the changing times in the Americas and the attitudes towards immigrants and minorities.

Hu-DeHart, an expert in Latin American History, is currently researching the Asian Diaspora in Latin America and the Caribbean. She spoke Nov. 9 to a small group of students and faculty at MWC to discuss in her speech entitled, "From Yellow Peril to Model Minority: The Columbus Legacy and Asians in America," the different roles and identities given to Asian Americans since the 17th century.

"My goal is to illustrate how these different racial identities, or stereotypes, have been constructed for Asian Americans, and consequently how Asian Americans have been made to play a very peculiar role in the formulation of race and race relations," Hu-DeHart said.

In the 1600s, many Asians were transported on merchant ships from the Philippines and China to the Americas, Hu-DeHart said. These Asians were known as "Chinos de Manila," or Chinese of Manila.

In 1635, a group of Chinos de Manila set up barber shops in Mexico City. The Spanish barbers petitioned the viceroy to have the Chinos de Manila move their business out of town because the Spanish could not compete with the hard working



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Colorado-Boulder Professor talks about the identities associated with Asians.

Asians, she said.

"[This example] resonates with what is going on today, this very day, in the United States," Hu-DeHart said. "This perception that Chinese or other Asians, Koreans, offer unfair competition to other native business people, therefore they should be removed from the center of town."

Not until the 1800s were there other documents of Asians in the Americas. The 19th century brought waves of lower class Chinese males to Peru, Cuba, Brazil, and the United States as indentured servants, or kulis.

Since the Chinese were not black or white nor slave or free, 80 percent of the immigrants were sent to work with the black slaves on plantations. Although they were considered colonists, the kulis were treated just

as slaves—they were branded, starved, beaten, and auctioned in blocks of ten at the slave markets, Hu-DeHart said.

One of the first records of a Chinese kuli during the early 1800s, Hu-DeHart said, was a Peruvian colonist named Julio. Like a few other colonists of the time, Julio played the lottery and won. He won enough money to be classified with the white citizens of Peru and be relieved of his contract. Because of his new racial and social status, a local white woman desired to marry Julio. In order to be able to get married, Julio had to be baptized; so his name was recorded in the white men's baptismal records, Hu-DeHart said.

Through these baptismal records, according to Hu-DeHart, here a kuli led to more findings of these Chinese

de Manila with elevated racial and social standing.

By 1882 in the United States, the anti-Chinese movement, or Nativism, attempted to exclude further Chinese immigration. By 1924, all other Asians were excluded from immigrating.

During the anti-Chinese movement, Hu-DeHart said, a negative racialized image of the Chinese, known as the Yellow Peril, spread throughout the United States. The Chinese were believed to be intellectually backwards, morally corrupt, physically decrepit, disease infested, and lustful.

The Chinese were constructed in such a way that not only were they deemed ineligible to become citizens of this country, but even more

fundamentally, that they would not be assimilated as Americans," Hu-DeHart said. "[The Chinese] constituted a downright threat, a peril, to the progress and unity of this new American nation," she said.

According to Hu-DeHart, the perception of Asians being less human still lingered during the 20th century. During World War II, Japanese citizens of the United States, Canada, and some Latin American countries were put in concentration camps located in Wyoming, Colorado, California, and New Mexico for five to seven years.

The Naturalization Law, enacted in 1790, granting citizenship to only free white men, was repealed in 1952. Following the appeal, a new wave of immigrants fled to the United States from Mexico, Central America, the Caribbean, and Asia. A new construction of Asians in the United States began to emerge, Hu-DeHart said.

"The Asians today face a different kind of stereotype, that at a first glance seems like a positive kind of stereotype," Hu-DeHart said. "Today the Asian Americans are constructed as a model minority, a super minority," she said.

According to Hu-DeHart, this "super minority" stereotype has pitted other minority groups against Asian Americans, resulting in "an accelerated rate of anti-Asian violence."

"Things, it can be argued, have gotten worse (since the Civil Rights Movement)," Hu-DeHart said. According to Hu-DeHart, American society, instead of facing the failure of the Civil Rights Movement to create equality in American society, has used the Asians to discipline other minorities.

"This way, what the Asians are asked to play is a rather unsavory role of saying to other minorities, 'We

made it in American society. We are a successful minority,'" Hu-DeHart said.

According to Hu-DeHart, minority groups can find a common ground and learn to commune. "When the circumstances are right, Asians in the Americas and other groups that have also not enjoyed the benefits and privileges of these respective societies have learned to join hands and join causes to promote a common future," she said.

The college campus is the ideal place for cultures to interact peacefully, according to Hu-DeHart. Although Mary Washington's Asian population consists of 129 students, the campus is small enough that students can easily reach common ground and combine in search of a common future, she said.

Sophomore Liz Bedell, who is half Vietnamese, said that now that she is in college, no one has pinned any stereotypes on her because of her academic success like they did when she was younger. "When people saw that I was working real hard or got good grades, they'd say, 'That must be your Asian side,'" she said. "Nobody says that to me anymore."

The Anglo-Americans manipulated the minorities to prevent a minority uprising, gathered Bedell. The Anglo-Americans created a dissension among the minorities by stereotyping the Asian Americans as a "super minority"; therefore, the rising number of minorities wouldn't join together against the Anglo-Americans, Bedell said.

"You don't learn the things she talked about in high school," Bedell said although she said she is skeptical about the impact it will have by teaching it in elementary schools. "I wouldn't say that it wouldn't help at all," she said, but added that multiculturalism has to be taught in the home as well.

## Community Service Lets Students Earn Financial Aid

By Dana Birkholz  
Bulletin Staff Writer

Juniors and seniors on college campuses across the nation are in various stages of nervousness and fear about going into the "real" world. The phrase "I have no idea what I want to do" has become a popular one.

Kelly Schrock, a biology major, has not uttered these words since the fourth grade. For Schrock, motivation and goals have never been obstacles as she has wanted to be a pediatrician since she broke her leg at age 10. Money was her obstacle.

"[Financial aid] is competitive now since the funding is so little...some people say, 'How can you put yourself in such a debt?' But it is better than having a job you don't want to go to everyday," Schrock said.

President Bill Clinton has addressed this problem with a national service program called AmeriCorps. Clinton is willing to deliver educational rewards to those who will devote one to two years of their lives to community service.

"[AmeriCorps members] will get education awards to help them pay off student loans and finance further education," Clinton wrote last September.

Clinton is working towards solving two problems with one solution: financial aid for higher education and meeting the urgent needs of America's communities.

"AmeriCorps [is] a bold initiative designed to help restore our American community—neighborhood by neighborhood, block by block," Clinton wrote.

Barbara Andes, MWC's AmeriCorps representative, works for Virginia Campus Outreach Opportunity League. Andes works here in the COAR office as well as for other schools in northern Virginia. Currently she is working on a directory of models of community services that have been provided by the individual schools.

One of the benefits Andes sees first hand in her job is the wide range of opportunities that are open to AmeriCorps members.

"There are really diverse projects going on. AmeriCorps is very advantageous in that you could probably find something that you were interested in and that it is looking for all sorts of volunteers of

different ages and different backgrounds," Andes said.

Andes works with a 10-person group, one of the smallest, while other members work in more populated organizations. The programs range from inner-city community service to environmental clean-ups. Not only do the programs range in size and purpose, they also range in age group.

While Andes is impressed with the wide scope of opportunities, sociologists are pleased with Clinton's attempt at government aided community service. According to Roy Speckhardt, a senior sociology major, sociologists are looking to the group or the whole, not the individual, to make changes.

"From a sociological point of view, the best way is a democratic process," Speckhardt said.

Senior Lowell Whitney, a biology major, looked into AmeriCorps last fall.

"For a long time I have felt that volunteering should be a national requirement. I think that when you volunteer, you gain a sense of responsibility, a sense that if you work hard in cooperation with others you can make a difference," Whitney said.

AmeriCorps' "launching" was a national celebration from Seattle to Atlanta last fall. Boston Red Sox Ken Ryan lent his support in Boston while Secretary of the Navy, John Dalton, attended the celebration in Houston.

Speckhardt is excited about the immediate support the program is receiving and views Clinton's idea as a no-lose situation.

"All around it is benefiting the community, you are not only getting the service, you are educating the community," Speckhardt said.

AmeriCorps is an appealing means of gaining work experience and accomplishing a task that will stay with someone for a lifetime. The restrictions are few; an applicant must be at least 17 years old, a U.S. citizen or permanent resident, and must have received his or her high school diploma or GED.

Andes, who works in the COAR office, is more than willing to talk with anyone and share her information about AmeriCorps and may be reached at 654 1122.

## Beautiful Campus Attracts Prospective Students To MWC

By Tracey Dickerson  
Bulletin Staff Writer

A hefty price tag accompanies the beauty of Mary Washington's campus landscape with a budget of almost \$900,000. The budget is split between the equipment, salaries and benefits, and other operating expenses.

"A lot of things come out that off the top of your head you don't realize go into the budget," landscape supervisor Joni Wilson said. "When painters paint the chains on the fences, that's part of the grounds. Even buying light poles or painting light poles is part of it."

According to Wilson, the 23 grounds workers are divided up between the athletic complex, the campus, and Brompton. Each station has designed jobs that the workers must complete.

Wilson said that at Brompton the jobs include things such as trash removal, maintenance of the grounds and maintenance of the walkways.

The athletic field is slightly different. The jobs include mowing, fertilizing, reporting problems with score boards and the irrigation systems, and maintaining the clay surfaces for the baseball and softball fields.

The campus crew has a broad range of jobs from mowing the grass to picking up dead squirrels.

Longwood College in Farmville has the same square footage as MWC, but their budget is about \$200,000, according to Longwood physical plant supervisor Melvin Moore.

Moore stated that the school itself has 75 acres and they maintain their soccer and baseball fields as well as the 100-acre estate and golf course.

Along with having to deal with special chemicals, MWC has certain problems that come about while keeping up with the grounds.

According to campus grounds supervisor Richard Blair, most of the problems are with people.

Some of the problems dealing with people include bushes being turned up, traffic on the sidewalks—but the biggest problem is the noise factor.

According to Blair, the noise is not as bad as it used to be, because physical plant workers have tried to alter their schedules to minimize it.

Despite minimizing the noise, workers still get

complaints.

"One morning we had to clean off a driveway behind Willard," Blair said. "After we finished, we got a complaint that we woke someone up on the second floor of Willard. We had to get it done before eight o'clock or people would have come up and been in the way."

The traffic on campus walk is another factor that can be a problem.

Blair said that the workers try to do their jobs when students are in class.

"Once the traffic dies down, the guys go out and try to get the job done," he said.

Another problem is the soil compaction, where people walk in the dirt paths on the grass.

According to Randy Myers, both places that he deals with do not have any serious problems. The maintenance of the athletic fields are scheduled around the games and practices.

"It's a give and take situation. We cooperate with them," Myers said.

Despite the problems and the work, the landscape and the design is well worth it, according to Wilson.

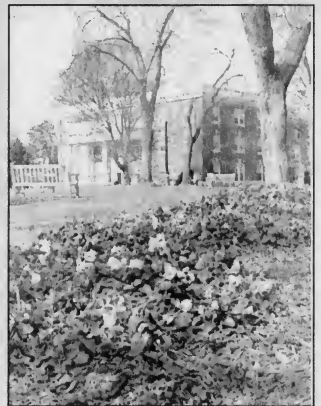
The design of the campus is mainly done by Wilson.

According to Wilson, she tries to match the design with the building. She stated that she also wants to make people feel good at home.

"On the human scale, people need to feel good," she said. "Trees with a canopy make people feel more secure as opposed to big buildings. Students have a backyard at home, and this is theirs away from home."

Wilson stated that she set up benches in front of buildings, such as Trinkle or Lee, so people can sit and hang out.

Blair agreed that students' needs is a factor that they take into consideration when landscaping.



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Joni Wilson plants flowers on campus walk.

"You [students] all have a place to be," Blair said. "We compromise and do what we can do."

According to Wilson, aesthetics is the bottom line.

"It has to be pleasing to the eye," she said.

The campus has won a few awards for its landscaping, but Wilson stated that it takes a lot of time and money to enter the contests.

The beauty of the campus is what has brought a lot of students to MWC. According to junior Edwina Wilson, who is a campus tour guide, campus visitors often talk about the campus' atmosphere.

"Lots of people like how the campus is kept up," she said. Senior Anne Shukis agreed, stating that the atmosphere was very pleasant and homely.

Blair said that he enjoys his job and he likes seeing the students having fun.

"We are here because of the students. That's our whole job," he said.



# SPORTS

## SPORTS BRIEFS

### Warren Wins! Warren Wins!

Senior forward Jamie Warren is the Bulletin Player of the Week after averaging 25.2 points per game in MWC's five games last week.

Warren capped off the week with his first triple-double at Mary Washington College against Marymount Tuesday night. He had 22 points, 11 rebounds and a career-high 11 assists. Against Washington & Lee on Jan. 9, he tied his career-high with 37 points and added seven rebounds and three assists. Warren leads the team in scoring with 237 points per game before Tuesday's contest. Other nominees were Justin McCarthy [men's basketball], Stefanie Teter [women's basketball], and Eliza Barcus and Liz Darcy [swimming].



Jamie Warren

### Tuesday's Night Game

MWC 95, Marymount 87 (OT)

MWC	46	29	20	95
M. Saints	37	38	12	87

#### Men's Basketball Scoring

MWC					
Jamie Warren	6 of 12	6-6	22	points	
Erik Bursch	7 of 8	0-1	15		
Mike Johnson	6 of 10	1-3	14		
Justin McCarthy	4 of 9	3-4	12		
Matt Seward	3 of 7	4-4	11		
Marvin Felix	4 of 7	2-2	10		
Michael Prensky	2 of 6	0-0	4		
Colin Whitehouse	1 of 2	0-0	3		
Richie DeRose	1 of 4	0-0	2		
Dan Zenker	0 of 2	2-2	2		
Kosa So	0 of 1	0-0	0		
Christian Canino	0 of 2	0-0	0		

#### Top Five Marymount Scorers

Bobby Schaul	11 of 24	4-6	28	points
Kermit Moss	5 of 5	8-9	18	
Steve Stallmer	7 of 12	3-4	17	
Ivan Young	7 of 12	2-4	16	
Ed Olexa	1 of 3	2-2	4	

Rebounds: Marymount 38 (Adam Wells, Young, Farley McDonald 6); MWC 35 (Warren 11). Assists: MWC 20 (Warren 11), M. Saints 8 (Schaul 3). Turnovers: M. Saints 20 (Schaul 6), MWC 16 (Warren 5). Steals: MWC 10 (Warren 5), M. Saints 3 (Schaul, Olexa, Moss).

### Women's B-Ball Scorers

Corinne May	20.8	points per game
Stefanie Teter	13.3	
Amanda O'Brien	10.4	
Lindsay Stover	8.8	
Robin Coates	8.6	
Ashley Seckford	6.6	

Team Leaders (per game)	
Scoring	May 20.8
Rebounds	O'Brien 8.0
Assists	Teter 7.7
Blocks	Coates 0.7
Steals	Teter 4.6

### Six Selected All-East

Six Mother's rugby players have been named to the All-East select side and have been invited to training camp in Orlando, Fla., in early January. The six players are senior prop Pat Weinholt, sophomore prop Jon Carter, sophomore scrumhalf Nick Gwyther, junior flyhalf Eric Holbrook, senior center Andy Tuomey and senior lock Tim Brown. The most players the team has ever had in competition is two members.

The select side will train this spring in the Washington area and will play several tune-up matches before the national select side finals this spring.

—contributed by Doc Warner, rugby coach

### Upcoming Events . . .

Jan. 18	M/W Swimming at Marymount University, 7 p.m.
Jan. 19	Women's Basketball vs. Gallaudet University at Goolrick Gymnasium, 6 p.m.
	Men's Basketball vs. Gallaudet University at Goolrick Gymnasium, 8 p.m.
Jan. 21	Women's Basketball at Goucher College, 5:30 p.m.
	Men's Basketball at Goucher College, 8 p.m.
Jan. 24	Women's Basketball vs. Randolph-Macon College at Goolrick Gymnasium, 6 p.m.
	Men's Basketball vs. Salisbury State University, 8 p.m.

## Marymount Spells Doom For Women; Men Reeling

### Women's Rally Falls Short

By Kate Dube  
Bulletin Staff Writer

A strong second half could not overcome a 25-point half-time deficit as the MWC women's basketball team lost 100-95 against rival Marymount College Monday night.

The inexperience of a young team that includes four freshmen and only three substitutes led to 30 turnovers. The Marymount squad used this to their advantage, beating the Eagles to the basket on defense and down the court on offense. "We have a good team, as long as we stay focused," said Connie Gallahan, women's basketball coach.

Amanda O'Brien said, "We turned it up in the second half and all the shots were there."

MWC entered the second half facing a 25-point spread. The team picked up the pace, showing a more aggressive style. The offense began to mix things up, with each starter scoring within the first five minutes. The defense tightened as well, matching the Marymount offense and causing more turnovers and poor shots.

"Defense got us back into the game," Gallahan said. "We put some pressure on them and made some clutch threes. We didn't make the turnovers we made in the first half."

Senior Corinne May hit several key baskets for a total of 24 points, including two three pointers. Junior Stephanie Teter and sophomore Amanda O'Brien also sparked the offense, scoring 25 (six three-pointers) and 22 points, respectively.

Mary Washington's best chance for victory came with 23 seconds left in the game, behind 97-95. After a time out, MWC ran a play sending Teter to the left wing. Marymount's McGeehan blocked her three-point attempt. Teter then committed a loose ball foul, giving McGeehan the one-and-one.

Gallahan said, "We decided on the last time out that we were going for the win, not the tie; we were going out the three."



File Photo

Junior Stefanie Teter attempts to penetrate the lane and dish off for one of her CAC-leading 17 assists per game.

## Corinne May Shatters School Scoring Record

By Colin Whitehouse  
Bulletin Assistant Sports Editor

Senior Corinne May broke the school's scoring record in women's basketball, previously held by Trish Long (1981-1984). May scored the record-breaking basket during the Dec. 1 home game against Frostburg State, passing Long's 1,298 point barrier.

"I did not think about or plan on breaking the scoring record, probably because I did not score much in high school," said May.

Coming out of Smithtown East High School in Smithtown, N.Y. on Long Island, May was not heavily recruited to play basketball despite averaging 20 ppg as a senior.

"I knew I couldn't play Division I and I wanted to go south," May said. "MWC was a good match and affordable."

Glancing over May's career it would come as a surprise that she originally had second thoughts about playing basketball. As a freshman, May quit the team for two weeks.

"There was too much of a time commitment and I was busy having fun and doing other things," said May.

In a matter of just two weeks, boredom forced May back onto the hardwood. She went on to average 9.4 ppg and started 16 of 26 games.

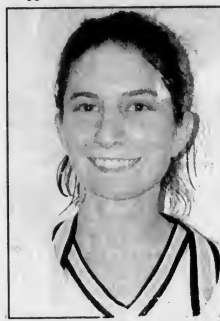
During May's sophomore year she was named to the CAC second team while leading the conference with a .792 free throw percentage.

However, better things were still to come for May and her teammates. Her junior year she was named to the All-CAC, All-State and All-Region first teams, while helping to lead the Eagles to the NCAA Tournament.

"Last year was very successful," May said. "It was the first time ever for us to play in the Nationals and it was a great experience."

May played a great part in the success of the Eagles for the past three seasons. Her offensive output has been a constant and May has provided opportunities for her teammates by constantly drawing the opponents best defender and several double teams.

"Corinne is able to get open and has a



Corinne May Shannon Shuler/Bullet

good first step," said Connie Gallahan, coach of the women's basketball team.

May's overriding importance to the team is her off-court help. She helps the Eagles create an up-tempo style.

"Corinne is very quick and finishes the fast break well," junior guard Robin Coates said. "We are trying to run more this year and her speed contributes to the positive results."

This year's team, currently 5-4 (0-2 in conference), is not finding quite the same success as last year's squad. The slow start may be partially due to the scarcity of players. There are only 8 players on the team. However May's is continued to put forth yet at other solid reason.

May has lead the team in scoring in 6 of the 8 games with a high of 28 points against Frostburg State. She is averaging 20.8 ppg and has snatched 22 steals.

Upon graduation in May 1995, May said she hopes to use her degree in mathematics to pursue a career in banking, finance or insurance.

May has reaped the benefits of countless hours of hard work in Goolrick Gymnasium. She said realizes playing a sport is a large time commitment, but believes it has added a lot to her college experience.

### Men Hope To End Losing Ways

By Brian Schumacher  
Bulletin Staff Writer

The men's basketball team opened their Capital Athletic Conference schedule this week with a pair of losses to St. Mary's College and Salisbury State University. The losses dropped the team's overall record to 1-8.

Thursday's 87-77 loss to St. Mary's at Goolrick Gym came two days after their first win of the season, Jan. 10 against Western Maryland College. Against St. Mary's, the Eagles held a one-point lead at half-time, but shot only 32 percent from the field in the second half. St. Mary's managed to hit eight of 15 three-pointers in the second half to seal the game. Senior Jamie Warren led the Eagles with 20 points, and pulled down nine rebounds. Freshman Marvin Felix contributed 13 points and pulled down a game-high 10 rebounds.

Junior Chris Wirth injured his elbow in the game, which forced him to miss Saturday's game against Salisbury State and Tuesday's contest against Marymount University.

"We're not very big. We can't make ourselves bigger, but we need to improve our rebounding," Coach Tom Davies said.

Saturday's 105-101 loss to Salisbury State came despite the team scoring 61 points in the second half. Justin McCarthy had 27 points in 28 minutes, and Marvin Felix again led the team in rebounds with 10. Jamie Warren had a huge game for the Eagles, providing 25 points, nine rebounds, seven assists and a school-record nine steals.

"It's been frustrating, but the intensity has been there. The wins will come," Felix said. "We've been in every game we've played, and if we keep it up we'll win some games."

McCarthy, a sophomore, has been one of the top performers for the Eagles this year. He is averaging 19.4 points and 32.6 minutes a game, both second on the team to Warren. The men's team will count on McCarthy and Warren as they head into the heart of the CAC schedule.



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Freshman Elizabeth Bean rests during another tough practice.

## Swimming Warm's Up With Washington & Lee

By Eric Gaffen  
Bulletin Staff Writer

The men's and women's swimming teams both continued their drive towards the CAC Championships this past Saturday with a pair of victories at Franklin and Marshall. Despite the dismal conditions at Franklin and Marshall's pool (only four lanes of competition and three places compared to the normal six lanes and five places), the men improved their record to 4-2 with a 52-43 decision and the women easily defeated their opponents with a 67-27 win, raising their record to 5-1.

The men's meet was not as close as the score might suggest, as F&M received points from MWC in the last couple of events. Leading off the meet with a first place finish was the 400 medley relay team of sophomore Steve Smith, senior Stewart Gill, sophomore Alex Inge, and freshman Billy Prout in 3:52.52. Smith also won the backstroke in 2:05.75. Other first-place finishers included junior Lee Lewis, 200 free in 1:53.50, sophomore Tim Selgas, 50 free in 22.44, and junior Cordis Carter, winning the 100 free in 50.96.

Sophomore Eric Earling said of the meet, "Considering the adverse conditions [of the pool], we were happy to escape that pit of a pool with a victory."

On the women's side, the rout was on early as MWC took the first and second places in the first four events (except the 400 medley relay, where only first place was awarded). The team would win eight out of 11 events, and take second place in all 11. The tandem of junior Sarah King, freshman Megan Reese, senior Larissa Nojek, and freshman Jessica Green won the opening event, the 400 medley relay, in a time of 4:20.94. King was also victorious in the 50 free, with a time of 26.28. There were two swimmers who each won two individual events: junior Eliza Barcus won the 500 free (5:40.19) and the 1000 free (11:23.72) and junior Liz Darcy won the 100 free (58.62) and the 200 free (2:05.75). The 200 butterfly was won by senior Amanda Dresser in 2:19.19, and Green, Barcus, sophomore Emily Williams and freshman Liz Bean won the 400 free relay in 3:58.77.

The times for this meet were on the slow side, but there is no reason to worry, said coach Marc Brown. "We are at a transition stage in our training, and the slower times are to be expected at this point. It's nice to do well, and win the dual meets, but the overall training points towards the conference meet (CAC Championships)."

Brown said, "This was a weak meet, there were no best times."

# ENTERTAINMENT

## Boy Oh Elephant Boy

By Ryan Daugherty  
Bulletin Staff Writer

Like the genre of funk itself, the name "Elephant Boy" conforms to no known precepts of logic.

"Our original drummer came up with the name. It has no significance whatsoever, but sounded cool," explained frontman Geoff Leach.

Regulars on the Fredericksburg circuit for some time, the group played a two-night stand at the Irish Brigade last Friday and Saturday. The band itself was only part of the show; bubble machines and strobe lights assaulted the crowd's senses, and twin TV screens displayed virtual reality computer graphics for all to see. Some noteworthy images included blue stretched limousines shimmering and dissolving into each other, some disjointed zebras parading about a psychedelic wasteland, and what appeared to be asteroids coalescing on to each other with an Escher-like surreality.

Probably the strongest outfit to inhabit the less than burgeoning Fredericksburg music scene (not to discount the Sore Losers, who incidentally happen to be the group's local favorites), Elephant Boy is a band on the move. Now totally revamped for the 90s the group is seeking a wider audience with their brand of power-funk showmanship. The recent "Haulin' the Nawlins" tour brought more acclaim than ever before, along with a little peril.

"One of the shocks on our tour was that our truck burst in the middle of

rural Mississippi," said Leach. "We didn't get hassled, though, so I guess the locals were just as afraid of us as we were of them."

Breaking through the pathos of life is what this band is all about. When asked "Why funk?" Leach stated that it was fun and upbeat, hinting that people oftentimes take themselves way too seriously.

"We're not at all into being depressed about things," he said. The rest of the band concurred, cheerful grins in place even after a trying five-hour photo session.

The show at the Brigade was packed with energy. Focusing primarily on original tunes, the band also rendered a three-song conglomeration of funk featuring the Red Hot Chili Peppers and George Clinton's Parliament.

Fan support was strong, as evinced by the waves of dancers who took themselves onstage at Leach's request. What started out as a three girl dance competition ended in a cathartic free-for-all with an even distribution of males and females. Senior Kristen Barnes spoke about the infectiousness of funk without even opening her mouth, looking like she was about to melt upon the stage.

No official recordings from Elephant Boy are available to the public as of yet, although bootleg copies are obtainable in the right circles. Production of "Liquid Courage," their first full-length CD, is currently underway and should hit the stores sometime this coming May.

Go see this group. The computer show alone is worth it.



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Elephant Boy lead singer Geoff Leach screams at the Irish Brigade during a recent show.

## BUFFALO WINGS, BEER, AND...DANCING!!!

### Brittany's Sports Bar To Open Dance Club For New Patrons

By Amanda Harris  
Bulletin Staff Writer

What is big and baby blue and full of football fans on Sundays?

Brittany's, Fredericksburg's new sports bar located on Plank Road in the Hechinger's shopping center. The decor was inspired by the birth of a previous manager's son. Open since Sept. 10, Brittany's has 15 televisions, two pool tables, a variety of video games and is geared toward the die hard sports fan, but according to manager Michelle Sharma, the bar is about to expand.

"We are opening up into the area next door. The new section will have dancing, we will try to get top 40 bands, it will have a karaoke machine and will seat another 50 or 60 people," said Sharma. "It will have batting cages, more videos and a big bar with your basics on tap."

According to Sharma, Sundays are the most popular days because of football. "We have three satellites, so we pick up games you can't see at home," she said. During the weekdays the bar has other specials to draw the customers.

"We always have \$1 draughts," she said, "and Mondays we have 8 ounce burgers for \$2.50, Wednesdays we have 10-cent wings and Fridays we have a raw bar from 4p.m. until 9p.m. We get the most college kids on Wednesdays for the wings."

Mary Washington College junior John Martinelli is a fan of those wings. "I've only been once, but I plan on going back for the wings. You can't beat



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Emily Shanaberger (left) and Lisa Murry (right) take driving lessons from Brittany's Virtua Racing.

that deal." But Martinelli said he feels like Brittany's is not really a college bar. "I do feel like it is geared more toward the citizens of Fredericksburg, more of a working class."

Junior Kirsten Ulrich agreed about the wings and the atmosphere. "I liked the pool tables and my roommate and I are planning to go back for more wings," she said. "but I would like to see more of a college crowd. Maybe they could put flyers on campus and try to spread the word around some."

Ulrich said she is especially excited about the bar's expansion. "I think anytime you have alcohol and a karaoke machine you have fun," she said.

Aside from the weekday specials, Brittany's menu includes appetizers like nachos, potato skins and chicken tenders, soups, salads, sandwiches, chicken dishes and burgers.

Senior Matt St. Amand who sampled the food on a game day was not impressed. "It's really a sports bar in every sense of the word; the food tastes like sports equipment. My burger tasted like a hockey puck," he said. As far as Brittany's appeal for students, St. Amand said he thinks it could be popular. "The wing specials are good and I like that they have televisions everywhere. Being able to see every game at once is cool."

MWC alumnus Deborah Brown had a different opinion of the food. "It was very crowded, but everything was very good. We had the stuffed jalapenos, a sampler platter, french fries and we loved it all," she said. "I definitely plan on going back, and that's not just because my roommate works there!"

## Singleton Earns High Marks For "Higher Learning"

### MOVIE REVIEW



By Matt Withers  
Bulletin Staff Writer

"Higher Learning" is director John Singleton's third film and shows a clear return to form after his horribly received sophomore attempt, "Poetic Justice." The film also marks him as one of the most balanced and empathetic directors around.

The movie is set at Columbus University as a new freshman class comes in. Despite a largely diversified campus, the incoming students start to form homogeneous groups right away. The reason is not racism or sexism,

but comfort. Singleton shows how the uncertainty and nervousness of the freshmen tends to promote their association with others of similar backgrounds.

Exploring the reasons why true diversity and understanding are so hard to establish is one of a whirlwind of issues that Singleton addresses in "Higher Learning." The movie contains everything from harassment of black students to sexual assault to what responsibility really means. One of the aspects of "Higher Learning" which is most amazing is the fact that Singleton deals with so many social issues without cramping the movie. He has an incredible talent for interweaving seemingly unconnected stories and for knowing when less is more.

Singleton's empathy for the issues and people in his movies is shown by the fact he simply will not present a one-sided view. Whether he is dealing with skinheads, disillusioned students or a professor who just seems like

a total jerk, Singleton refuses to stop at the surface. This is not to say he agrees with or condones everything in the movie, or that he asks the audience to agree. What he will not do is let the audience write a character off. He forces you to at least consider why a person became what they are and what they hope to accomplish.

Overall, "Higher Learning" is a more violent movie than "Boyz In The Hood" was. The violence is in no way gratuitous, though. I continue to be impressed by Singleton's handling of violence; he does not shy away from it at all, and he makes the reasons behind his character's violence understandable. At the same time, however, he presents violence as a no-win situation. Every violent act in "Higher Learning" has at least one violent reaction. As one character says after winning a fight against a group of skinheads, "Man, we didn't win. No way one beating can make up for 400 years of oppression. We behind enemy lines."

"Higher Learning" is a strong enough movie that it is somewhat actor-proof. In fact it survives a couple of mediocre performances. The major characters work very well for the most part, though, and there are three notable performances: Omar Epps is great as Mikail Williams, a hotshot track star; Ice Cube handles Fudge, a perpetual senior who wants knowledge more than a degree, with impressive believability; and finally, Lawrence Fishburne once again proves himself to be one of the best actors around with his role as the hard-nosed Professor Phipps.

"Higher Learning" is a great movie. It is entertaining and will have you thinking for days after you see it. It has the guts not to tie everything up with a neat little bow at the end. Singleton presents a world that has hope in it, but he does not let us forget that we have a long way to go to realize it.

## BY THE WAY

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January 26: Recital, pianist Leon Bates; GW Hall, Dodd Auditorium; time TBA; free

## Local Music Scene

Thursday, Jan. 19, The Emptys (progressive), The Irish Brigade  
Thursday, Jan. 19, Six Foot Seven (progressive), Eagles Nest  
Friday, Jan. 20, Blue Alibi (rock/blues), Santa Fe  
Friday, Jan. 20, smd. (progressive), Irish Brigade  
Friday, Jan. 20, Emmet Swimming (progressive), Mother's  
Saturday, Jan. 20, In Theory (progressive), Irish Brigade

## Movies At Dodd

Jan. 22 (10 p.m.) Clear and Present Danger

### Editors note:

Hello and welcome back to another wonderful semester at MWC, where the only things for certain are that alcohol is the devil's tool and that the "Entertainment Editors" rarely drink before noon. We, the editors, were pleased that at the end of the last semester we received our first letter to the editor. The letter raised the question, "who comes up with the Top Ten?"

Who indeed. Well usually my mother, the alternative music guru that she is, sends me the top ten list along with a care package of mind-altering drugs and small bags of salt. But seriously folks, the music junkies at WMWC, aka "they love us in Willard" select the most often played CDs of the week and send us a list. I hope that that has answered the question sufficiently.

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Eric Edwards-Bulletin Entertainment Editor

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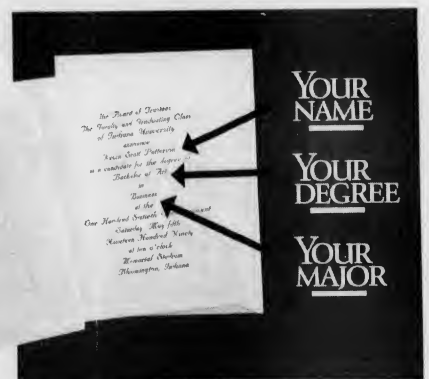
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